

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS

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Parking Services for USC and Memorial Coliseum Events

The County of Los Angeles (the County) owns an office building at 3965 South Vermont Avenue in the City of Los Angeles as well as the adjacent parking structure (the parking structure), which has the capacity to hold 200 cars. This parking structure is located across the street from the University of Southern California (USC) campus and could serve as an ideal location to meet the significant demand for parking at USC football games as well as events held at the Memorial Coliseum. Given that the capacity of the campus and local facilities are oftentimes insufficient to meet the number of vehicles traveling to the area for events, the opportunity to utilize this additional parking structure would create a significant public benefit. The Probation Department, as well as the United Auto Workers, which leases space in the facility, have reviewed this proposal and have no concerns with opening up the parking lot on specific weekends for public access. Additionally, the renting of spaces on the weekends creates an opportunity for revenue generation on behalf of the County.

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I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1. Make a finding that the proposed use of the parking structure is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 and Class 1 Subsection (r) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines (Existing Facilities);
2. Make a finding that the use of the parking structure shall serve a public purpose, which will benefit the County of Los Angeles and its residents;
3. Instruct and authorize the Director of the Internal Services Department to procure parking management services for the parking structure located at 3965 South Vermont Avenue in the City of Los Angeles, to accommodate the parking demand for various events sponsored by the University of Southern California and the Memorial Coliseum, subject to consultation with the tenant agencies; and
4. Instruct the Director of the Internal Services Department to set a public hearing for the Board of Supervisors to establish parking rate(s) for this facility.

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